- As a one-time measure, the second re-structuring done by banks of exposures upto 30th June, 2009 will also be eligible for exceptional regulatory treatment.

- While sanctioning/renewing credit limits to their large corporate borrowers, banks have been advised to fix separate sub-limits, within the overall limits, specifically for meeting payment obligations in respect of purchases from MSEs.

(3) **Measures announced by the Public Sector Banks**

- Public Sector Banks to grant need-based *ad hoc* Working Capital Demand Loans upto 20 per cent of the existing funds based limits in respect of units having overall fund based credit facility upto Rs. 10 crore.

- Reduction in interest rates for borrowing by micro enterprises by 1 per cent and in respect of SMEs by 0.5 per cent.

- Moratorium period will be extended in respect of loans availed by MSMEs where project implementation has been delayed in the current scenario.

Sick Small Scale Industries

659. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Small Scale Industries (SSIs) in the country and the number of sick SSIs as on 31 March, 2008, State-wise;

(b) whether Government proposes to give financial package and provide some incentives for revival of sick SSIs in the prevailing economic environment;

(c) if so, the funds allocated for the purpose during each of the last two years and the current year, State-wise, particularly in Rajasthan and Orissa; and

(d) the details of SSIs revived so far, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) The total number of micro and small enterprises (MSEs) in the country as on 31st March, 2007 (latest available) is estimated to be 1,28,46,365. As per the data compiled by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) from the scheduled commercial banks, the number of sick MSEs in the country as at the end of March 2008 (provisional) is 85,187. The State/UT-wise details are given in the Statement-I (*See* below).

(b) to (d) The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises do not provide any direct financial assistance for rehabilitation of sick MSEs. However, financial assistance by way of debt restructuring, including fresh loans, for the rehabilitation of sick MSEs is provided by the primary lending institutions (PLI), including commercial banks, which provide credit to the MSEs and is an on-going process. For this purpose, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued detailed guidelines to banks in January 2002 on detection of sickness in MSEs at an early stage and taking remedial measures and for rehabilitation of sick MSEs identified as potentially viable. Further, RBI has issued guidelines on 8th September 2005, based on the "Policy Package for Stepping up Credit to Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)" announced by the Central Government on 10th August 2005.

These guidelines relate, *inter alia*, to viability criteria, prudential norms for restructured accounts, provision of additional finance and time frame for working out the restructuring package and its implementation. As per the data compiled by the RBI from scheduled commercial banks, the State/UT-wise viable sick MSEs put under nursing as at the end of March, 2008 is given in the Statement-II.

Statement-I

State/UT-wise details of estimated no. of Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) and no. of sick MSEs.

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	Estimated No. of MSEs as on 31.03.2007	No. of sick MSEs as on 31.03.20080
1	2	3	4
1.	Jammu and Kashmir	89,726	525
2.	Himachal Pradesh	95,572	347
3.	Punjab	4,41,797	1,530
4.	Chandigarh	26,612	128
5.	Uttarakhand	1,37,618	484
6.	Haryana	2,63,308	606
7.	Delhi	2,10,905	961
8.	Rajasthan	5,38,728	3061
9.	Uttar Pradesh	21,16,791	16,280
10.	Bihar	6,29,509	8,137
11.	Sikkim	474	16
12.	Arunachal Pradesh	1,578	2
13.	Nagaland	19,024	74
14.	Manipur	57,171	50
15.	Mizoram	14,335	0
16.	Tripura	29,141	16
17.	Meghalaya	28,591	32
18.	Assam	2,35,576	1,135
19.	West Bengal	9,21,221	11,660
20.	Jharkhand	1,63,220	1,449
21.	Orissa	4,68,468	3,000
22.	Chhattisgarh	3,15,118	1,710
23.	Madhya Pradesh	9,76,981	5,166

1	2	3	4
24.	Gujarat	6,46,379	3,017
25.	Daman & Diu	3,999	22
26.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	3,171	28
27.	Maharashtra	9,89,254	6,646
28.	Andhra Pradesh	10,43,512	5,439
29.	Karnataka	8,04,811	3,409
30.	Goa	8,654	111
31.	Lakshadweep	675	0
32.	Kerala	5,42,610	4,040
33.	Tamil Nadu	10,06,684	6,074
34.	Pondicherry	11,120	32
35.	Andaman & Nicobar	4,032	0
	All-India	1,28,46,365	85,187

Statement-II

State/UT-wise number of viable sick MSEs put under nursing at the end of March, 2008

Sl.No.	Name of State/UT	Viable sick MSEs put under nursing (as at the end of March, 2008)
1	2	3
1.	Jammu & Kashmir	0
2.	Himachal Pradesh	1
3.	Punjab	8
4.	Chandigarh	2
5.	Uttarakhand	1
6.	Haryana	2
7.	Delhi	11
8.	Rajasthan	2
9.	Uttar Pradesh	43
10.	Bihar	0
11.	Sikkim	0
12.	Arunachal Pradesh	0
13.	Nagaland	0
14.	Manipur	0

1	2	3
15.	Mizoram	0
16.	Tripura	0
17.	Meghalaya	0
18.	Assam	0
19.	West Bengal	21
20.	Jharkhand	0
21.	Orissa	6
22.	Chhattisgarh	0
23.	Madhya Pradesh	84
24.	Gujarat	3
25.	Daman & Diu	0
26.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0
27.	Maharashtra	71
28.	Andhra Pradesh	14
29.	Karnataka	16
30.	Goa	0
31.	Lakshadweep	0
32.	Kerala	76
33.	Tamil Nadu	899
34.	Pondicherry	2
35.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0
	ALL-INDIA	1262

National Fund for unorganised sector

660. SHRI B.S. GNANADESIKAN: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Commission on Enterprises in the Unorganized Sector has recommended for creation of National Fund for Unorganised Sector (NFUS);

(b) if so, whether Government would propose to form National Fund for Unorganized sector;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reason therefor?

THE MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) to (d) The National Commission for Enterprises in the Unorganised Sector (NCEUS) has submitted a report on 'Creation of a National Fund for the Unorganised Sector'. The report is under consideration of the Government.